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Title: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
MANUFACTURING SYNTHETIC RESIN  
HOLLOW MEMBER INCORPORATING AN  
INTERMEDIATE ELEMENT THEREIN AND  
THE SYNTHETIC RESIN HOLLOW MEMBER

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Art Unit: 1732

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**UNDER 37 CFR §1.56**

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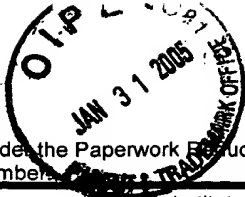
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